## NPD – exploration drilling result

29/12/2003 Press release no. 29/2003: Pertra AS has completed drilling of appraisal well 15/12-14 in production license 038. The purpose of the well was to uncover additional resources in late Jurassic sandstone in a segment in the western part of the Varg field.

A total of 78 meters of oil-bearing late Jurassic sandstone layers was proven. Core samples have been taken from the reservoir, and pressure sensors will be installed in the well to obtain information on further reserves in the area.

The result of the drilling means that the well is immediately converted to a production well, and oil production from the well is expected to start in the middle of January. The well will be re-classified as development well 15/12 - A-12 A. The production on the Varg field is now 1800 Sm³/day.

Water depth at the well location is 87 m. The well was drilled to a total length of 3254 m and concluded in early Jurassic sediments. The drilling was carried out by the drilling installation "Mærsk Giant", which now continues drilling further production wells for Pertra on the Varg field.

See also the table showing drilling activities in 2003.

See Factpages for more information about this wellbore.